Minutes
University Library Committee
February 6, 2025
12:00pm - 1:00pm
Multimedia Seminar Center
2131 East Wing, Hill Library

Call To Order - Dr. Sarah Egan Warren*, Teaching Assistant Professor, Institute for Advanced Analytics, and DELTA Faculty Fellow, *Chair*

1. [The Libraries' Response to Wolfpack Outfitters' Course Ready Program](#) (Website links: [Libraries support](#) for the [Course Ready](#)Program) **-** Hillary Fox, Lead Librarian for Agriculture & Life Sciences, & Katya Mueller, Libraries Fellow (20 minutes)

   a. Course Ready is the Bookstore's program and is not a Libraries program. This is a pilot program for Spring 2025. The program uses an "opt-out" model for student participation.

   b. Libraries Teams: Course-Ready Communications and Textbook Program Team

      i. Communications Team - determine necessary messaging for students and instructors and to prepare the Libraries staff for the program

      ii. Textbook Program Team - identified books Libraries already owned to appear in the Course Ready portal

   c. Libraries support for student affordability and success

      i. Textbook lending program (came out of student suggestion from ULC)

      ii. Course reserves

      iii. Alt-Textbook Project (came out of faculty suggestion from ULC)

   d. Course Ready Communication Team complements the long-standing relationship with the Bookstore.

   e. The Bookstore is working with Vital Source to distribute digital textbooks.

2. [Data Science Services and Initiatives](#) - Mara Blake, Department Head, Data & Visualization Services (DVS) (15 minutes)

   a. Overview: consulting program; research on consulting; how to contact

   b. Team comes from a variety of academic backgrounds.

   c. Data Science Workshops: DVS provides training open to any university affiliate

      i. Topics include: Python; R; MATLAB

    d. Specialized Libraries spaces for data computing and work: Data Experience Lab in Hill and Dataspace in Hunt

    e. Data Science Consulting Program

        i. Tools (Python; R; Stats software)

        ii. Concepts

        iii. Provides one-on-one or group consulting

        iv. Team of graduate students serve as data science research consultants

        v. Open to all faculty, students, and staff

3. [Overview of the Branch Libraries]([Design], [Natural Resources], and [Veterinary Medicine]) - Carolyn Argentati, Donald E. Moreland Deputy Director of Libraries (10 minutes)

    a. Branch libraries and staff provide collections and services for their primary users in the colleges where they are located and for the entire university community.

    b. The branch libraries are funded and operated through partnerships between the NC State University Libraries and the colleges with which they are located.

    c. The branches are not open 24 hours like Hill and Hunt are during the fall and spring semesters.

    d. For more advanced services (digital media, data science consulting, etc.), patrons are referred to Hill and Hunt.

    e. There are three additional "Campus Information Centers" that provide spaces and collections in support of their missions and in collaboration with the Libraries: the African American Cultural Center Library and Media Room; the Media and Education Technology and Research Center (METRC) in the College of Education (currently located temporarily at the Hill Library); and the LGBTQ Pride Center Collection.

4. General discussion and future agenda topics – Greg Raschke, Senior Vice Provost and Director of Libraries, and all